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DEPARTMENT PASS DEA HQS EOI MR. CUSACK, FOR ADMINISTRATOR BARTELS.
JOINT STATE/DEA CABLE FOR /NM, AMBASSADOR VANCE

SUMMARY: AT MEETING MAY 24, DEPUTY ATTORNEY GENERAL PRESENTED DEA AND EMBASSY REPS WITH VERY SUBSTANTIAL LIST OF REQUIREMENTS. IT IS HEREWITH SUBMITTED TO WASHINGTON FOR ASSESSMENT SOONEST. END SUMMARY.
1. MEETING WITH ATTORNEY GENERAL OJEDA HAD BEEN RE-SCHEDULED FOR 1300 HOURS MAY 24. OJEDA CALLED SUDDENLY TO OTHER MEETING, SO DEPUTY ATTORNEY GENERAL ROSALES MIRANDA PRESIDED. ON USG SIDE WERE DEA REGIONAL DIRECTOR EYMAN, DEPUTY RD HEATH, AND EMBASSY NARCOTICS COORDINATOR ALBERTI. AS AGREED IN PRIOR MEETINGS AT CUERNAVACA AND PROCURADURIA (SEE REFTELS), MEXICANS HAD OBVIOUSLY BEEN HARD AT WORK AND HAD GIVEN MATTER OF REQUIREMENTS FOR 1974-1975 CAMPAIGN A GREAT DEAL OF THOUGHT AND STUDY. THE FOLLOWING IS A SUMMARY OF THEIR LIST,
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WHICH WAS BACKED UP BY A NUMBER OF STUDY PAPERS PRE-

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PARED BY HELICOPTER PILOTS AND OTHER TECHNICAL EXPERTS. ROSALES GAVE US SEPARATE PAPERS DETAILING PILOT AND MECHANIC TRAINING REQUIREMENTS, AND LISTING SPARE PARTS DESIRED. HE RETAINED OTHER DOCUMENTS DEALING WITH FUEL AND OTHER COSTS, SAYING HE PREFERRED WE DISCUSS THESE MATTERS DIRECTLY WITH ATTORNEY GENERAL OJEDA (ROSALES APPARENTLY WAS NOT WELL BRIEFED ON LATTER SUBJECT). MEETING WITH OJEDA ON THIS MATTER IS SCHEDULED FOR JUNE 7, 1974. THE LIST IS LARGE AND OBVIOUSLY WOULD INVOLVE SIZEABLE USG EXPENSE IF WE WERE TO MEET ALL REQUESTS. ROSALES SAID GOM IS SUB-MITTING LIST WITH UNDERSTANDING THAT USG WILL MEET IT SELECTIVELY, AS FUNDING PERMITS.

2. "BASIC NEEDS FOR THE CAMPAIGN AGAINST NARCOTICS AND DANGEROUS DRUGS FOR THE PERIOD 1974-1971."

A. FIXED AND MOBILE (FORWARD) BASES.
ROSALES SAID GOM WANTED TO KEEP THESE AS SIMPLE AS POSLSIBLE; THOUGHT GOM COULD TAKE CARE OF PUTTING UP BUILDINGS AND STORAGE FACILITIES. EQUIPMENT FOR PERSONNEL DISCUSSED BELOW. ROSALES SAID CHIEF OF ADMINISTRATION MANCERA AND CAPT. VIDEZ WOULD DEPART MAY 27 FOR ON-ISTE SURVEY OF PROSPECTIVE FORWARD BASES.

B. REPLACEMENT OF AIRCRAFT.
1. REPLACE DESTROYED HELICOPTER BELL 206-B.
2. REPAIR DAMAGED HELICOPTER BELL 206 (EST. COST $150,000).
3. REPLACE 5 CESSNA 185 FIXED WING AIRCRAFT, WHOSE CONDITION AND IMMINENT NEED FOR ENGINE AND OTHER RE-PLACEMENTS MAKE REPAIRING THEM EXCESSIVELY EXPENSIVE.
4. THREE NEW STOL AIRCRAFT, MODEL "HELIO STALLION" (MADE IN U.S. AND CARRYING 8-11 PEOPLE, THEY COST ABOUT $150,000 EACH).

C. NEED TO ACQUIRE NEW HELICOPTERS.
THE GOM WANTS HELICOPTERS SUFFICIENT TO COVER TWO NEW SECTORS, FOR A TOTAL OF THREE SECTORS WORKING SIMULTANEOUSLY (I.E., NORTH, CENTRAL AND SOUTHERN
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SECTORS). THIS WAS LEFT UNCLEAR AS TO THE NUMBERS INVOLVED, BUT A GUESS MIGHT BE 4 BELL 212'S AND 4 TO 8 BELL 206'S. IN ANY CASE, THE GOM WOULD WANT TWO OF THE LARGE HELICOPTERS EQUIPPED WITH WINCHES AND CABLES FOR HEAVY LIFTING (PERSONNEL AND EQUIP-MENT).

D. SPARE PARTS PACKAGES FOR FOLLOWING:

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1. 2 BELL 212 HELICOPTERS, CIVILIAN VERSION.
2. 9 BELL 206-B HELICOPTERS, CIVILIAN VERSION
3. 4 BELL 212 HELICOPTERS, MILITARY VERSION(THIS REQUIREMENT VERY URGENT).
4. 8 CESSNA 185 FIXED-WING AIRCRAFT.

E. FUEL
NECESSARY AVIATION GAS FOR FIXED-WING AND TURBOSINA FOR HELICOPTERS.

F. PILOT AND MECHANIC TRAINING.
TRAINING FOR 14 PILOTS (10 IN TURBINE ONLY, 4 COMPLETE HELICOPTER COURSE), 16 MECHANICS (8 IN TURBINE ONLY, 8 IN COMPLETE HELICOPTER MAINTENANCE), AND 5 ADDITIONAL PILOTS IF HELIO STALLION STOL AIRCRAFT APPROVED.

G. ARMS AND AMMUNITION
50 FAL AUTOMATIC RIFLES WITH 50,000 ROUNDS.
100 BROWNING AUTOMATIC PISTOLS, 9 MM, WITH 50,000 ROUNDS.
40,000 ROUNDS .223 AMMO FOR AR-15.
20,000 ROUNDS FOR UZI SUBMACHINE GUNS.
30,000 ROUNDS FOR INGRAM SUBMACHINE GUNS.

H. RADIO EQUIPMENT
FOR COMMUNICATION NETS BETWEEN FIXED AND MOBILE BASES, AIRCRAFT AND GROUND PATROLS. (THIS ALSO WAS LEFT VAGUE AND OBVIOUSLY WILL REQUIRE MUCH FURTHER STUDY AND DISCUSSION, INCLUDING POSSIBLE VISIT BY USG EXPERT.)

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I. "COMPASS TRIP"

1. ALL NECESSARY EQUIPMENT.

2. RECRUITMENT AND TRAINING OF PERSONNEL SUFFICIENT
FOR THREE TEAMS OF SIX PERSONS EACH.
ROSALES SAID FIVE ORIGINAL TECHNICIANS USED IN PILOT PROJECT
ARE READY NOW FOR FURTHER TRAINING IN MISSISSIPPI AND ARE
STANDING BY AWAITING WASHINGTON ADVICE WHEN TO REPORT.

ROSALES UNABLE TELL US MAY 24 WHETHER GOM HAD ANY AIRCRAFT
SUITABLE, FOR THE COMPASS TRIP USE, BUT PROMISED EARLY ANSWER
THAT QUESTION. (NOTE THAT ATTORNEY GENERAL IS SO ENTHUSIASTIC
ABOUT COMPASS TRIP THAT HE NOW WANTS THREE COMPLETE TEAMS, ONE
FOR EACH SECTOR. WE OF COURSE SHALL PROCEED WITH AGREEMENT
FOR ONE SET OF EQUIPMENT, BUT WASHINGTON WILL WANT TO CONSIDER
POSSIBLY SUPPLYING TWO ADDITIONAL SETS, AND WHETHER IT CAN BE
DONE IN TIME FOR NEXT CAMPAIGN.

J. AERO-TECHNICIAN

TDY ARRANGEMENT FOR ONE-YEAR SERVICE OF BELL TECH REP NOW
BEING NEGOTIATED, WE UNDERSTAND. GOM NEEDS THIS ADVISOR
PARTICULARLY TO PROGRAM THE REPLACEMENT OF TURBINES AND
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TRANSMISSION BOXES IN HELICOPTERS.

K. TRAINING FOR MEXICAN FEDERAL JUDICIAL POLICE (MFJP)
THIS WILL BE TAKEN CARE OF BY ESTABLISHMENT OF NEW MFJP
TRAINING INSTITUTE, REPORTED IN MEXICO 2923. (DR. GERTZ HAS
JUST SPENT THREE DAYS SURVEYING DEA TRAINING FACILITIES,
MAY 22-25).

L. EQUIPMENT FOR PILOTS

FLIGHT HELMETS AND OTHER SPECIAL CLOTHING FOR FLIGHT CREWS.

M. EQUIPMENT FOR MFJP ON GROUND.

ARMORED VESTS, HELMETS AND OTHER CLOTHING, PACKS, FOOD
RATIONS AND MEDICAL SUPPLIES FOR MFJP PERSONNEL STATIONED AT
FORWARD BASES.

3. APPRECIATE WASHINGTON STUDYING AND GIVING US COMMENTS
ON THIS LIST AS EXPEDITIOUSLY AS POSSIBLE, KEEPING IN MIND

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NOT ONLY FUNDING CONSIDERATIONS BUT ALSO NEED FOR EARLY DELIVERY DATES

IN ORDER TO MEET REQUIREMENTS OF UPCOMING CAMPAIGN. IN KEEPING WITH AMBASSADOR VANCE'S CONVERSATIONS WITH ATTORNEY GENERAL, MUCH OF THIS LIST HAS BEEN SUBMITTED FOR USG CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE FUNDING COMMITMENT, IF APPROVED, PRIOR TO END OF FY 1974. IN ANY CASE, WE NEED WASHINGTON COMMENTS IN TIME FOR OUR NEXT MEETING WITH ATTORNEY GENERAL, SCHEDULED FOR JUNE 7. GREATLY APPRECIATE RESPONSE BEFORE THAT DATE.

4. EMBASSY POUCHING DOCUMENTS GIVEN US BY ROSALES AT MAY 24 MEETING. WE ARE IN CONTINUING CONTACT WITH ATTORNEY GENERAL'S OFFICE AND SHALL KEEP DEPARTMENT/DEA INFORMED AS WE DEVELOP FURTHER CLARIFICATIONS OR REFINEMENTS. DIKEOS

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